

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : May I know whether all the persons implicated in the F. I. R. have been arrested ?

Rao Bahadur N. Ramanuja Aiyangar : Yes.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : Am I to understand then that only six persons were implicated ?

Rao Bahadur N. Ramanuja Aiyangar : Yes, so far as I know.

G. O. prohibiting registry of lands in Devicolam.

53. ***Mr. N. K. Padmanabha Pillai :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether a G. O. was issued in 1096, prohibiting further registry of lands in Devicolam for cardamom cultivation ; and

(b) whether, when members representing Devicolam urged in the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly that the G. O. be cancelled, the Dewan-President was repeatedly pleased to announce that the lands were reserved for Travancoreans and that the G. O. would be cancelled when Devicolam became accessible to Travancoreans by the opening of the Neriamangalam-Pallivasal road ?

Mr. K. George : (a) A G. O. was issued in 1096 prohibiting further registry in Devicolam for cardamom cultivation.

(b) In the 27th Session of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly, the Dewan announced thus :

"I take it that your representation raised three points. The first point is the registry of lands within the Cardamom Reserve. As regards that, I might say that Government passed the order reserving that land for the benefit of the people of the State and the question of relaxing the strictness of that rule is being considered by Government" (*vide* Proceedings of the 27th Session of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly, page 26).

Scarcity of drinking water in Perumpavur.

54. ***Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is scarcity of drinking water in the summer season in the town of Perumpavur ;

(b) whether there are public wells in Perumpavur town ;

(c) if so, their number and location ;

(d) whether the wells (if any) existing are able to meet the demand for water for drinking purposes in the summer season for the inhabitants ; and

(e) whether there will be water in the well in the campshed at Perumpavur during the major part of the summer season ?